GSWS 335W-4 Through a Gendered Lens (B Soc)

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Course Description:
In this course, we explore what gender means and how knowledge creation is affected by gender. We then apply a gender lens to a number of social issues, contexts and regions. The approach is interdisciplinary and multi modal. We will employ social science readings, film, documentaries, amongst other forms of exploration.

This class is interactive. Sessions will involve activities, group and individual exercises and discussion of the theories, empirical information and ideas presented in the readings and films/documentaries. The writing intensive component of the course will help students develop analytical, writing and research skills through a variety of assignments.

1. Gendered Perspectives
2. Gender Difference?
3. Learning Gender
4. Gender and Education
5. Issues of Health
6. Film Analysis through a Gendered Lens
7. Embodiment and Identity
8. Crime and Deviance
9. Culture and Media
10. Gendered Experiences of Violence and Resistance
11. Gender and the State
12. Gender @ Work
13. Gender and Sexuality

Course Texts and Courseware:
Readings:
• Marchbank, J & Letherby, G (2014), Introduction to Gender: Social Science Perspectives, Routledge, 2nd ed
It is expected that readings will be done in ADVANCE of class, failure to do so will mean inability to engage in in class writing assignments, discussions and other exercises.
Films:
We will watch and analyse several films, these may include Bend It Like Beckham, Billy Elliot, Mulan, Beautiful Boxer, Boyhood, Brave, Under the Rainbow, Dark Girls, Murderball, Sin by Silence, Live Nude Girls Unite & She’s a Boy I Knew.

Course Evaluation and Assignments:
In class Stop and Think response 5%
In class quiz on Education 10%
In class Viewing Exercise 10%
GI Joe Summary exercise 10%
Annotated Bibliography 15%
Film Analysis essay 30%
Participation 10%

Prerequisite: 45 Units. Students with credit for EXPL 310 and 310W taught as Interdisciplinary Issues of Gender may not take GSWS 335W for further credit. Writing/Breadth-Social Sci.